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HUD approved GLO's Mitigation Action Plan granting \$750 million directly to Harris County and \$488 million for the Houston-Galveston Area Council for regional projects

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AUSTIN — Today, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved the Texas General Land Office's (GLO) amended plan for Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT), which allocates \$750 million in funding for Harris County and an additional \$488 million to the Houston-Galveston Area Council for additional mitigation projects in the region.

"Ensuring Texans receive disaster recovery and mitigation funding in a timely manner to recover from Hurricane Harvey has always been my top priority," said Commissioner Bush. "The Biden Administration's politically weaponized Department of Urban Development and Housing has forced us to fight through mazes of red tape to secure this direct allocation for Houstonians. I will continue to fight to send money to Texans as quickly as possible. The \$750 million allocation will go directly to Harris County for projects that help mitigate future flooding events, creating a stronger more resilient Texas."

This brings the total infrastructure and mitigation investments in Harris County to more than \$1.1 billion. HUD's approval of the GLO's plan to provide \$750,000,000 to Harris County is in addition to HUD's direct allocation of \$61,884,000 to the City of Houston, plus \$117,213,862.96 in CDBG-MIT awards for Harris County projects, plus \$209,221,800 in infrastructure funds from CDBG-DR, equals \$1,138,319,662.96 in total investment in projects within Harris County. Additionally, H-GAC continues to develop its method of distribution on more than \$488 million for mitigation projects within the greater Houston region.